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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): SHIMADA, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/486,823  
Filed: March 3, 2000  
For: THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR NEURODEGENERATIVE DISORDERS  
Group: 1614  
Examiner: P. Spivack

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 28, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 29, 2001,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 6, 10 and 14 as follows:

6 (amended) A method of inhibiting neurodegeneration, which  
comprises administering an effective dose of a xanthine  
derivative represented by formula (I):